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"AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD."

1 Strike section 4 in its entirety and renumber the remaining
2 sections and internal references accordingly

3 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
4 internal references accordingly:

5 "Sec. 501. Section 10-184 of the general statutes is repealed and the
6 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

7 All parents and those who have the care of children shall bring them
8 up in some lawful and honest employment and instruct them or cause
9 them to be instructed in reading, writing, spelling, English grammar,
10 geography, arithmetic and United States history and in citizenship,
11 including a study of the town, state and federal governments. Subject
12 to the provisions of this section and section 10-15c, each parent or other
13 person having control of a child five years of age and over and under
14 eighteen years of age shall cause such child to attend a public school
15 regularly during the hours and terms the public school in the district in

16 which such child resides is in session, unless such child is a high school
 17 graduate or the parent or person having control of such child is able to
 18 show that the child is elsewhere receiving equivalent instruction in the
 19 studies taught in the public schools. For the school year commencing
 20 July 1, 2011, and each school year thereafter, the parent or person
 21 having control of a child seventeen years of age may consent, as
 22 provided in this section, to such child's withdrawal from school. Such
 23 parent or person shall personally appear at the school district office
 24 and sign a withdrawal form. Such withdrawal form shall include an
 25 attestation from a guidance counselor or school administrator of the
 26 school that such school district has provided such parent or person
 27 with information on the educational options available in the school
 28 system and in the community. The parent or person having control of
 29 a child five years of age shall have the option of not sending the child
 30 to school until the child is six years of age and the parent or person
 31 having control of a child six years of age shall [have the option of not
 32 sending the] not be required to send the child to school until the child
 33 is seven years of age if (1) a physician, licensed pursuant to chapter
 34 370, certifies that the child should not attend school until age seven, or
 35 (2) the child has been identified as having a developmental delay, as
 36 defined in section 10-76a, in a birth-to-three program, under Part C of
 37 the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq., as
 38 amended from time to time, or in a preschool program, under Part B of
 39 the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq., as
 40 amended from time to time. The parent or person shall exercise such
 41 option by personally appearing at the school district office and signing
 42 an option form. The school district shall provide the parent or person
 43 with information on the educational opportunities available in the
 44 school system. "

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sec. 501	July 1, 2016	10-184
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